

Today's
Advertisements.THEATRE ROYAL
CITY HALLTO-NIGHT (WEDNESDAY), 19th May.
Farewell Performances in China of the Popular
EntertainersHUDSON'S
SURPRISE PARTY.(Selling for AUSTRALIA per S.S. *Oni Maru*,
21st instant.)PROSPECTUS OF THE RENOWNED
LAUGHING GAS COMPANY
(LIMITED).Paid-up Capital.....One Million Sterling.
Sole Managing Director.....Mr. T. P. HUDSON.
Patentees and Manufacturers:THE SURPRISE PARTY COMBINED.
Big Laughing Bonuses and Fat Funny Divi-
dends guaranteed to all the Shareholders, who
are responsible only for their paid-up capital.The world-famous Nitrous Oxide and Concen-
trated Essence is warranted to be innocently
pure, and entirely free from all deleterious effects,
morally, socially, or physically, to the whole of
the juvenile and adult portion of the human race.This Company has not the most remote connec-
tion with the masquerade makers of common
hydrogen or explosive gases and libellous com-
pounds. No compulsory or peremptory demands,
etc., our motto being "The Pink of Perfection
and Courtesy."Gas Effluences with New Illuminations
Nightly 9 P.M. Toured off 11.30.
A. J. ROYD, Representative.

Hongkong, 19th May, 1897. [835]

"MOGUL" LINE OF STEAMERS.
NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.S. S. "AFRIDI,"
FROM MIDDLESBOROUGH, GLASGOW,
LIVERPOOL AND STRAITS.CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed
that all Goods are being landed at their
risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and
Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, at
Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves
delivery may be obtained.No Claims will be admitted after the Goods
have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining
undelivered after the 25th inst. will be subject to
rent.All Claims against the Steamer must be pre-
sented to the Underwriter on or before the 25th
May, or they will not be recognized.All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to
be left in the Godowns, where they will be
examined on the 25th inst., at 3 P.M.No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be considered by
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 19th May, 1897. [801]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
LIMITED.FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOCHOW.
THE Company's Steamship"HAITAN,"
Captain J. S. Roach, will be despatched for the
above Ports on FRIDAY, the 21st instant, at
NoonFor Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LARRAIK & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 19th May 1897. [838]

THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP
COMPANY, LIMITED.FOR MANILA (DIRECT).
THE Company's Steamship"ESMERALDA,"
Captain G. A. Taylor, will be despatched for the
above Port on FRIDAY, the 21st instant, at
5 P.M.This Steamer has Superior Accommodation
for Passengers and is fitted with the Electric
Light.For Freight or Passage, apply to
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 19th May 1897. [836]

"MOGUL" LINE OF STEAMERS.
FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Steamship

"AFRIDI,"
Captain Golding, will be despatched as above
on FRIDAY, the 21st instant, at Noon, instead
of as previously advertised.For Freight or Passage, apply to
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 19th May, 1897. [801]

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND
CALCUTTA.

THE Steamship

"LIGHTNING,"
Captain J. G. Spence, will be despatched for the
above Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 20th
instant, at 3 P.M.For Freight or Passage, apply to
DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 19th May, 1897. [837]

TAKE NOTE
IT IS UNIVERSALLY ADMITTED THAT
TO indicate the exact use of words, no
DICTIONARY can compare with the New
Edition ofWEBSTER'S DICTIONARY.
At the office of the Hongkong Telegraph you
can see, and procure for SIX DOLLARS, a Copy
of the Webster of Webster, the latest and most
emphatic proof that Labor omnia vincit.

Hongkong, 17th May, 1897. [821]

NOW READY!
COMMERCIAL AND STATISTICAL
PAPER.
No. 1—APRIL, 1897.
Being reports of meetings of Companies and
Corporations for periods ending 31st December,
1896.
This pamphlet is published for the convenience
of the Commercial Community and is for sale,
PRICE 1s PER COPY,
at the office of the
"HONGKONG TELEGRAPH,"
No. 6 Pedder's Hill.
Hongkong, 17th May, 1897. [761]Today's
Advertisements.CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,
LIMITED.FOR FOCHOW.
THE Company's Steamship"KANSU,"
Captain Somerville, will be despatched as above
on FRIDAY, the 21st instant, at Noon.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 19th May, 1897. [830]

Intimations.

DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK &
COMPANY,
VICTORIA DISPENSARY,
HONGKONG.

AERATED WATERS.

SIMPLE AERATED WATER.

SODA WATER.

LEMONADE.

GINGER ALE.

SARSAPARILLA.

RASPBERRYADE, &c.

DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK & Co.'s WATERS are
made under the constant supervision of a duly
qualified English Chemist and will bear com-
parison with the best English Manufactures.Special terms to HOTELS, CLUBS, MESSES and
other Large Consumers.Any complaints should be addressed to the
Manager.

Hongkong, 1st March, 1897. [3790]

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not to individual members of the staff.Communications intended for publication must be accompanied
by the name and address of the writer, not necessarily for
publication, but as evidence of good faith.While the columns of the Hongkong Telegraph will always
be open to the fair discussion of all questions of public interest,
it is requested that all communications be sent to the Editor
and not to any other person, and that the Editor does not in any way hold himself responsible for
opinions thus expressed.

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The Hongkong Telegraph's number at the Telephone Central
Exchange is No. 1. Telegraphic Address—"Telegraph,"
Hongkong.A. S. WATSON & CO.,
LIMITED.

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ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

MANUFACTURERS
OF
AERATED
WATERS.OUR AERATED WATER FACTORY is fitted with
the best English Machinery, embodying the
latest improvements in the trade.The Purest Ingredients only are used, and the
utmost Care and Cleanliness exercised in the
Manufacture throughout.The Water used is proved by repeated
Analysis to be Absolutely Pure.For COAST PORTS, Waters are packed and
placed on board ship at Hongkong prices, and
the full amount allowed for Packages and
Emplies when received in good order.Counterfeit Order Books supplied on applica-
tion.Our Registered Telegraphic Address is,
"DISPENSARY, HONGKONG."
And all signed messages addressed thus will
receive prompt attention.The following is a List of Waters always kept
ready in Stock—PURE AERATED WATER,
SODA WATER,
LEMONADE,POTASH WATER,
SALTZETZ WATER,
LITHIA WATER,SARSAPARILLA WATER,
TONIC WATER,
GINGER ALE,
GINGERADE.No Credit given for Bottles that look dirty or
greasy, or that appear to have been used for any
other purpose than that of containing Aerated
Waters, as such Bottles are never used again
by us.A. S. WATSON & CO. LD.
THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY,
No. 1, 1st April, 1897.

MARRIAGE.

At Holy Trinity Church, Yersaud, Burma, on
the 8th April, CHARLES RABM, to LILY ROBIN-
SON, eldest daughter of D. S. Robinson, of
Rangoon and Yersaud.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, MAY 19, 1897.

RUSSIA AND JAPAN.

We note from our Japan exchanges that
the proposal of the Korean Government
(doubtless prompted by the astute repre-
sentative of the Tsar in Seoul) to engage
about 150 Russian military officers "to
train the Korean army" is causing a good
deal of uneasiness in diplomatic circles in
Tokyo and that the Japanese Government
through Mr. Kato, its representative in
the Korean capital, lodged a protest
against the engagement of so many military
officers as being in contravention of the
provisions of the Seoul Memorandum and
the St. Petersburg Convention concluded
by Marquis YAMAGATA while visiting the
Russian capital on the occasion of the
coronation of the Tsar. At first little
notice was taken of the protest by the
Korean Government—which doubtless
sought the advice of the Russian
Minister—and, as the exhortations of
Mr. Kato seemed to fall on deaf ears,
special representations were made to
the Russian Legation in St. Petersburg
with the result, it appears, that the Russian
Government has intimated to the Japanese
Government that "it will do nothing in the
premises to give umbrage to Japan no
matter what decision the Korean Govern-
ment may arrive at." That is what the
Japanese Government has allowed the
press of Tokyo to state and it was telegraphed
to Kobe and translated by the *Kobe
Chronicle*, to which journal we are indebted
for the information. The intimation that the
Russian Government will do nothing to
cause offence to Japan after inducing the
Korean Government to make a
demand that was bound to give
considerable annoyance to Japan is
very amusing, if true. It may mean
a great deal or nothing at all. It may
indicate that Russia desires to live at peace
with her progressive little neighbour, or it
may only be an attempt to evade, until
things are quieter in Europe, any
responsibility for the excitement created
by the extraordinary request of Korea to
be supplied with a sufficient number of
Russian officers to reorganise the Korean
army in accordance with the system in
vogue throughout the dominions of the
Great White Tsar. It is, however, likely
enough that the Russian Minister has
been simply using the inexperienced
Korean Government as a cat's-paw to
"draw" Japan, to try her temper and to
see whether, when all is ready, when a
peace is patched up in Europe, it will be
possible to easily create in Korea a *casus
belli* with Japan. It was well-known,
of course, that Japan—readily—picked a
quarrel with China about her position
and influence in the Hermit Kingdom, but
it was not positively known whether
Japan could be easily inveigled into a
quarrel over Korea since the Great
Northern Power had so completely
taken the place of China in that country.
The manoeuvre, if such it was,
has proved entirely satisfactory. It has
shown to the world that the Japanese are
closely watching the movements of Russia,
that they have not lost hope of regaining
their influence in Korea, that they are
ready to take advantage of any oppor-
tunity, and that although relegated to a
"back seat" by three Great Powers
shortly after a successful war with China
she bitterly resents the action of Russia
and would not be slow to quarrel
with her in respect of the relative positions
of the two Powers in Korea. We fail to
see that Japan has done any good for her-
self by "protesting" against the employ-
ment in Korea of a few scores of Russian
officers, corporals, and drill sergeants. If
Russia really wishes to take in hand the
formation of a well trained army in Korea
—and the raw material is of excellent
quality—the Japanese Government may
depend upon it that she will "get there"
sooner or later, and probably sooner rather
than later. She has not now "backed
down" through fear of what Japan,
singlehanded, can do to thwart her
schemes of territorial aggrandizement.
Being fully occupied in Europe and not
knowing the moment when she may be
involved in a bloody war in the Near
East she, as usual, gracefully yielded when
she found that she could not well do
otherwise. Russia can afford to bide her
time. She has a firm footing in Korea and
her representative is backed up with an
army of 200,000 hardy warriors in East
Siberia and a navy that is not to be
despised. Against whom is this powerful
army to be hurled? Not against the
French colonies in the Orient, neither is it
held as a rod in pickle for "Poor old
England," although it is a menace that
we shall some day have to deal with,
and as regards China she is too tem-
ptible to be taken into account.
This great force in the north has, we take
it, not yet reached its destination, and
what all who are interested in the main-
tenance of the peace of the Far Orient have
to consider is—How can the peace of
these regions best be secured? Will it be
to our advantage that the peace should
be at great cost in blood and treasure?
Would that "be the best way to secure
peace for a few decades? If so, then
who will deny that the sooner the dogs of
war are let loose the better will it be for
those who have the largest commercial
interests at stake. It seems probable
that a big question connected with the
survival of the fittest will soon come up
for settlement in the Far East, and whenIt does we may rest assured that the
laurels of victory will be won, and well
won, by the nations whose destiny it is to
press onward carrying with them the
manifold blessings of a higher civilisation.

TELEGRAMS.

REUTER'S MESSAGES.

THE UNITED STATES.

LONDON, May 17th.
A Democrat has been elected Senator for
Florida, which places the Republicans in a
minority of one and will have an important
effect on the Tariff prospects.

THE GRECO-TURKISH WAR.

The Greeks in the late engagements in Epi-
rus fought splendidly, and almost ceaselessly,
for forty hours. After storming several positions
they were forced to retire from exhaustion and
want of food.

GERMANY AND THE CONCERT.

It is understood that Germany has been
persuading throughout a separate policy at Con-
stantinople and is now advising the Sultan to
insist upon a European control of Greek finances.(From *Diario de Manila*.)
DEATH OF A GOVERNOR-GENERAL.MADRID, May 6th.
Major-General Martiategui, the recently
appointed Governor-General of Mindanao
(Philippines Group) died on board the steamer
Santa de Luzon while that vessel was passing
through the Red Sea on the voyage from Barce-
lona to Manila.(From *Indian Daily News*.)
THE PLAGUE IN INDIA.BOMBAY, April 29th.
The Municipal returns for the 24 hours ended
at 6 a.m. yesterday morning show 29 fresh cases
and 19 deaths. The latest returns bring the
total since the outbreak to 11,925 cases and
10,206 deaths.The Kurachee plague returns for yesterday
show 18 cases and 11 deaths. There are about
150 patients still under treatment in the various
plague hospitals there.(From *Rangoon Times*.)
QUITE BOERISH!LONDON, May 2nd.
Advices from Pretoria state that Lieutenant
Eldif has been reinstated and appointed Chief
of the Police there. The appointment is univer-
sally condemned.

ANOTHER MASSACRE IN AFRICA.

LONDON, May 3rd.
Lieutenant Henderson, with a fairly large
escort, who had been making treaties with the
Chiefs of the hinterland of the Gold Coast, was
attacked at the beginning of April by Samory
tribesmen at Wa, which is within the British
sphere. Details here wanting, but a disaster
is feared. The Governor has summoned 300
Hussars from Lagos.

THE CITY AND SUBURBAN.

LONDON, April 28th.
The races for the City and Suburban Stakes
(2,500) was run at Epsom Spring Meeting
to-day with the following result:—Duke of Devonshire's *Balsamo*, 4 yrs, 1
Mr. L. Brasse's *Ronald*, 4 yrs, 2
Sir J. Miller's *La Sagette*, 4 yrs, 3

OBITUARY.

LONDON, May 3rd.
The death of Sir William Cleaver Robinson
is announced.(Sir) William C. F. Robinson, G.C.M.G., retired
in 1895. He was appointed for the third time
Governor of West Australia in 1890 and was
Governor of the Straits Settlements in 1877. He
was the composer of various popular songs and
of the opera "No Brown Maid."

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

GREEN ISLANDS are up to \$40.

GREEN ISLANDS meeting to-morrow.

CAPT. W. C. H. HASTINGS, R.N., to-day resumed
duty as Assistant Harbour Master.It was an oversight on Turkey's part not to
send a military attack to the Philippines to
pick up the latest thing in massacre.The Russian transport *Kiev* arrived at Singa-
pore, on the 16th instant from Odessa with a
large number of troops and passengers for
Vladivostok. After coaling, she left on the
17th for Nanyang direct.The Surprise Party had a fairly large house
last night, considering "the unpleasant climatic
conditions." The programme was a new one
and the various artists, notably T. P. and the
Goonies had the heartiest approbation. To-
morrow night's performance will, it is under-
stood, be under the patronage of H.E. the
Governor.CAPT. HILDEBRAND, of the German steamer
Hertha, on arrival at Singapore on the 17th
May, at 9 a.m., in Lat. 15 deg. 35 min. N., and
long 109 deg. 43 min. E., sighted a round red
iron buoy with a long staff carrying a diamond
and a red flag. May we suggest that the *Victor*
be at once sent out to bring this stray buoy into
port?An inquest on the body of Gunner Woods, of
the Royal Artillery, was held at Singapore on
the 16th instant when a verdict of "death by
drowning" was returned. Stories were current,
says the *Free Press*, to the effect that the man
had met his death by fool play, but they appear
to be entirely without foundation, as well as the
rumours that the corpse was treated with scant
respect on its removal from the water.A WASHINGTON correspondent of the *London
Standard* writes—Russia first and Germany
next are mainly responsible for the defeat of the
Arbitration Treaty. Agents of both Govern-
ments have been extremely active with the
Senators to induce them to prevent the ratifica-
tion of the treaty. I am told by a leading
Senator that if certain private correspondence
could be published it would show to what
lengths Russia and Germany have gone to pre-
vent ratification. While apparently working
independently, it is evident that both diplomatic
agents in this capital are acting in concert and
under the explicit instructions of their respective
Governments.In their *Weekly Share Report* issued at 5 p.m.
to-day Messrs Benjamin, Kelly and Potts state
that "Business has been very brisk during the
week and rates have improved considerably
since our last report."A CAYLON PRESS despatch states that the
Queen's Birthday Ball and the Levée are to be
postponed from May to June; also the Birthday
Honours, which are to be grouped with the
special Diamond Jubilee list.A GRAND banquet was given in St. Petersburg
on the 27th April in honour of the Emperor of
Austria. Reuter reports that the Tsar
exchanged most cordial toasts with His Majesty,
pledging continued friendship and the common
aim of peace.IN the Supreme Court to-day, before the Palace
Judge, Mr. J. J. Francis, Q.C. (instructed by
Mr. Wilkinson), applied for a writ of *Habeas
corpus* in the case of four Chinese deported
from Singapore, and detained here by the police
for transport to Canton. His Lordship granted
the writ.STODDART'S English Eleven will play five test
matches against Australia, and probably two
more against New South Wales. They will
reach Adelaide early in November. The West
Australian Cricket Association has offered to
give £1,200 and the train fare between Perth
and Albany, if the Eleven decide to play
matches in P. a. on their way to the eastern
colonies.A YOUNG Chinese named Wong She, who
did a "Vanishing Act" last year with \$300
belonging to a Washermen's Guild, of which he
was manager, was charged at the Magistrate's
to-day by Inspector Stanton with larceny. The
accused was arrested lately and forwarded to
Hongkong by the Chinese authorities. After
hearing evidence the case was remanded till
to-morrow.MR. MUSCO, an Italian resident, was charged at
the Magistrate's this morning with discharging
firearms from his window at West Point. The
defence was that he had bought a new rifle and
was testing its merits and that he was ignorant
that he was infringing the law, as he had lately
come out from Italy. Mr. Wedderburn said that
it was not a very serious affair as nobody was
walking along the street at the time and he fined
him \$10. But why fine him at all?At a meeting of the Sanitary Board to-morrow
afternoon the following returns will be sub-
mitted:—(1) A return showing the progress of Bubonic
Plague in Bombay.(2) Reports regarding the existence of Bubonic
Plague at Macao.(3) A return showing the progress of Bubonic
Plague at Tientsin, Formosa.(4) Reports having reference to the alleged
prevalence of Bubonic Plague in the Tung Kuo
and Shun-tai districts.So far the year 1897 has been remarkable for
abnormal weather. First the cool period was
usually extended, then April passed off with
little or no rain instead of the average heavy
and a half inch, and now our temperature has
suddenly jumped up to some five or six degrees
above the normal and to all appearances intends
to stick there. "Truly," as the old woman
remarked on seeing a thermometer for the first
time, "it's surprising what a little quicksilver
shot up in a tin can do with the weather."WHAT has come of the proposal made some
time ago by advertisement in the local Press to
start a Bicycle Club? Wheels seem to be
decidedly on the increase and we know of at
least one Chinese blacksmith who does a
lucrative business in repairing them. Were the
bicycle club now an accomplished fact we might
have had an illuminated procession of wheelmen
promenading the town on the night of 22nd June
and such a sight would have enhanced in no
small degree the novelty of the illuminations.We understand that H.M.S. *Undaunted* is
expected to arrive here about the end of the
month, when her crew will be turned over to the
Tamara for a time while their ship is docked for
an overhaul and her short funnels lengthened
like those of the *Narcissus*. The fitting
of the *Tamara* as a receiving ship is, we hear,
to be completed by the 31st August next when we
shall probably have to bid adieu to the pic-
tesque old *Victor*, unless she previously come to
a sudden end in a typhoon.THE *Colonist* and *India* has this reference to
the Colonial Secretary of the Straits Settlements:
—"A rumour is current that Mr. J. A. Swetten-
ham, the Colonial Secretary of the Straits Settle-
ments, will shortly retire from the service on
pension, but at present nothing of a definite
nature has been decided upon. Mr. Swettenham's
service extends over nearly thirty years, and he
has been connected with Ceylon, Cyprus, and
the Straits Settlements. He is now only in his
51st year, however, and is fit for a good deal of
hard work yet."THE North German Lloyd's Steamship Company
are having built, at Stettin, a vessel that, when
completed, will be the largest steamer afloat.
Her length is 635 feet, beam 65 feet, registered
tonnage 14,000. She will have two screws, her
engine will be of 30,000 horse power and the
builders promise a speed of 23 knots. The
vessel will be called the *Kaiser Wilhelm der
Grosse*. Of fourteen steamers now afloat of over
10,000 tons register, six, including the one
mentioned, the *Kaiser Friedrich*, *Friedrich der
Grosse*, *Barbarossa*, *Königin Luise*, and
Bismarck, were built in German shipyards.A BARBER named Lal Fay was charged at the
Magistrate's to-day with having stolen two
watches the property of Bombardier Warby and
Gunner Robinson, R.A. The men were stationed
at Stonecutters for the detachment. He dis-
appeared on July 25th and it was then the
watches were missed. Warby had died since
and the theft was forgotten till yesterday when
prisoner was arrested for stealing a watch from
William Brereton. At the Police Court to-day
when charged with the Stonecutters' theft he
said that he had to leave suddenly as a message
had come to him that his mother was dead. He
denied knowing anything about the watches.
His Worship adjourned the case till to-morrow
for further consideration of the depositions.AMONG the homeward bound passengers by the
C. P. R. steamer *Empress of Japan*, which
left at noon to-day were Commander Goto-
Brown, of H.M.S. *Narcissus*, and a number of
other naval officers and also Lieut. Thompson,
R. E. The mail liner passed through the fleet
and the navy people were heartily cheered from
the various ships, while the band of the
Narcissus played some appropriate airs by
way of compliment to her late commander. The
Royal Engineers' steam-launch *Solent* accom-
panied the big white liner down the harbour
with a party of officers who gave Lieut. Thomp-
son a very hearty send-off.THE attention of the Under-Secretary of State
for Foreign Affairs has been drawn by a corre-
spondent to the following report of Lord Carling-
ton's recent speech at Leicester:—"He re-
minded his audience of the happy auspices
under which the present Government came into
power, as was testified by Mr. Curzon himself.
Since then they had given up Siam and had
their Venezuelan difficulty, their Jameson, their
Armenian horrors, the Brighton recantation of
Lord Salisbury, and their crisis in South Africa."Mr. Curzon has replied as follows:—"If Lord
Carlington really used the words reported by
you, which I can scarcely credit, he must live in
a world of ideas, not of facts. So far from giving
up Siam, Lord Salisbury guaranteed the integrity
of that country, which the late Government had
entirely failed to effect."A MILITARY hospital scandal is reported in the
Rangoon Times of 4th May as follows:—"In spite
of what has appeared in these columns on the
subject, another case of hospital servants being
deputed by an Assistant Surgeon to open the
dead body of a European soldier has happened in
a military hospital in Borneo. We have this on
the authority of an eye-witness who avers that
not only he, but several soldiers, witnessed the
corpses being cut open by natives who were said
to be sweepers. This gruesome sight was seen by
the dead man's comrades through a window on a
level with some steps at the back of the mortuary.
Naturally enough Tommy Atkins thinks that this sort
of thing should be put a stop to.—It is certainly not
beyond the power of senior medical officers to
make this oft-recurring scandal cease altogether
and we trust they will not fail to do so."DISPERSE the most rigorous search no trace has
yet been discovered of the £5,000 missing from
the treasure room of the China Navigation Co's
Australian trader *Taiyuan*. To-day the whole
of the Asiatic members of the ship's company
were discharged and the police are still in
charge on board. It seems improbable that
the treasure is now in the vessel. When the
China-Australian liners call at places like
Port Darwin and Thursday Island most of the
passengers go on shore for a "look-round" and
the officers are generally busy looking after the
loading or discharging of cargo, and given a
person in possession of duplicate keys of the
treasure room, made from impressions secured
long beforehand, such a theft should not be
a difficult job for a clever criminal, too many of
whom are to be

Seller for Owner.
Hongkong, 5th April, 1897. (1897)

Notice of Firms.

COMMERCIAL UNION ASSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.
FIRE AND TYPHOON.

DURING my absence from the Colony, Mr. WILLIAM HERBERT TRENCHARD DAVIS has been appointed ACTING LOCAL MANAGER of the HONGKONG BRANCH of the above Company and ASSUMES CHARGE this Day.

WM. MACBEAN,
Local Manager.
Hongkong, 17th May, 1897. [82]

THE STRAITS INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

I HAVE this Day ASSUMED CHARGE of the Company's Business in HONGKONG. By Order of the Board of Directors,
W. H. T. DAVIS,
Acting Manager.
Hongkong, 17th May, 1897. [83]

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PRESEVERANCE LODGE OF HONGKONG, No. 1165.

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Hongkong, 7th October, 1896. [48]

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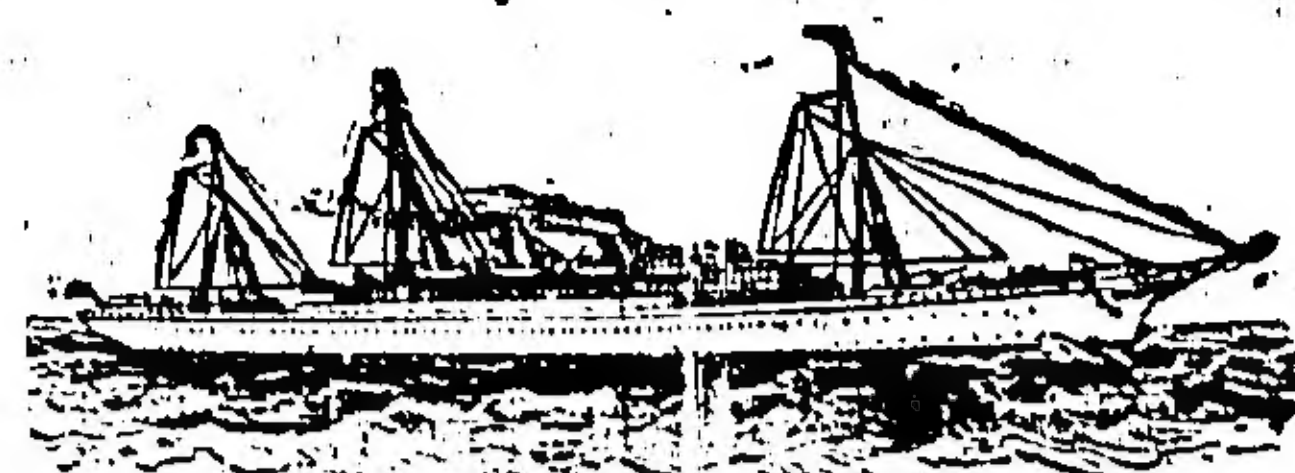
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THE Company's Steamship

"GALIC" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA AND HONOLULU, on SATURDAY, the 29th May, 1897, at Noon.

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For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 7, Praya Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.
Hongkong, 23rd April, 1897. [5]

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Captain F. H. Seymour, carrying Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this Office for LONDON (via HOMBAY), TO-MORROW, the 20th May, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports.

Silk and Valuable, all Cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other Cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed via Bombay.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 P.M. the day before sailing. The Contents and Value of all Packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.

For further Particulars, apply to H. A. RITCHIE, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 7th May, 1897. [5]

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Prinzess ... Tuesday ... 20th June.

Sachsen ... Tuesday ... 20th July.

Bayern ... Tuesday ... 17th Aug.

Prinz Heinrich ... Tuesday ... 14th Sept.

Prinzess ... Tuesday ... 12th Oct.

Sachsen ... Tuesday ... 9th Nov.

Bayern ... Tuesday ... 7th Dec.

Prinz Heinrich ... Tuesday ... 4th Jan.

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Hongkong, 27th April, 1897. [666]

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Tacoma ... 2349 | Tuesday ... May 25.

Victoria ... 3167 | Tuesday ... June 15.

Olympia ... 2608 | Tuesday ... July 6.

Pathom ... 2709 | Tuesday ... July 27.

THE Steamship

"TACOMA," Captain Whitler, sailing at Noon, on TUESDAY the 25th May, will proceed to VICTORIA (B.C.) and TACOMA (Wash.), via KOBE and YOKOHAMA.

Through Bills of Lading issued to Japan, Pacific Coast Ports, and to Canadian and United States Ports.

Consular Invoices of Goods for United States Ports should be in quadruplicate, and one copy must be sent forward by the steamer to the care of the Freight Agent, Northern Pacific Railway, Tacoma, Wash.

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For further information as to Passage or Freight, apply to DODWELL, CARLILL & Co., General Agents.

Hongkong, 30th April, 1897. [6]

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